

The officers of the Maryland State Police force, the Montgomery County and Prince George's County police, the police of the Town of Laurel, the police of all other municipal corporations in Prince George's County which are subject to the provisions of Article 11E of the Constitution of Maryland, the regular members of the police force, the paid firemen, the engineers, and linemen of the electric light plant, of Frederick City, the members of the police department and of the fire department of the City of Cumberland, and all guards employed by any of the penal institutions of this State, shall be deemed workmen for wages within the meaning of this section.

Whenever and so long as by State law, city charter, or municipal ordinance, provision equal to or better than that given under the terms of this article is made for municipal employees injured in the course of employment, such employees shall not be entitled to the benefits of this article.

*(b) In Harford County, any volunteer fire company may elect to have its members considered as workmen for wages under the provisions of this article by making application to and receiving the approval of the county commissioners. The county commissioners may also approve the provisions for payment of premiums on behalf of the members of any fire company electing to be covered by this article, and are authorized to pay all or any part of such premium from county funds.*

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1963.*

Approved April 17, 1963.

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## CHAPTER 274

(Senate Bill 556)

AN ACT to add new Section 15 (b-1) to Article 81 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1962 Supplement), title "Revenue and Taxes", sub-title "Method of Assessment", to follow immediately after Section 15 (b) thereof, empowering the County Commissioners of Caroline County to determine for purposes of county taxation the percentage of assessment for certain foodstuffs stored in said county.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That new Section 15 (b-1) be and it is hereby added to Article 81 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1962 Supplement), title "Revenue and Taxes", sub-title "Method of Assessment", to follow immediately after Section 15 (b) thereof, and to read as follows:*

15.

*(b-1) For county taxation in Caroline County, the County Commissioners thereof may, by resolution or ordinance, prescribe the percentage of assessment, if any, for foodstuffs processed for human consumption by canning or freezing which are stored in any warehouse by the processor for distribution, packaging or labeling.*